

# Reception Spring News!



## What am I learning this half term?

We have a brilliant topic to kick start spring term 1 with excellent learning opportunities to inspire and motivate. It is all linked around fiction books!

This term on our Rocket Phonics we will be introduced to new texts and use new phonic sounds, we will continue to identify sounds in various places in a word. Our focus is blending words using synthetic systematic strategies. Also, our children will read and write daily in their guided reading groups.

In Mathematics we will recap number vocabulary and will be comparing numbers and explore the composition of numbers to 20. Also, we will time ordering and sequence events and timings of the day.

In Technology we will experiment with text, pictures, and animation in order to share a simple picture with their class. We will have the opportunity to bake and taste our own gingerbread biscuits!

## Breakfast club

In Victoria Primary Academy Breakfast Club is open to all pupils from Reception to Year 6 attending our school. It is from 7.30am each morning from Monday to Friday and children enjoy a light breakfast followed by games and different fun activities before school.

## PE Dates

Reception PE is every Wednesday and Friday. Reception children should bring their PE kit to school on that day. In your PE kit you should have a white t-shirt, tracksuit bottoms or black shorts and trainers.

## Once Upon a Time



## Early Bird Writing Task

Arrive in school as soon as you so can so we can do our early morning writing activity together.

## Reading Books

We will be encouraging the children to read every day.

Please listen to your children read at home or access Bug Club.

A reading record will be sent home with your child to record any reading done at home.

## Homework

Within Reception, children are given homework on a weekly basis. This will include weekly spellings, words to learn and maths work. Parents are asked to read with their children each night, if possible.

## Topic

Our topic this half term is Once Upon a Time!

By the end of this topic children will have a good insight into comparing fiction and non-fiction books. In maths children will be able to compare numbers and understand the "one more" than relationship between consecutive numbers. Children will automatically recall number bonds for numbers 0-20 and explore the composition of number to 20. Children will know how to use media, tools, and materials for a purpose.

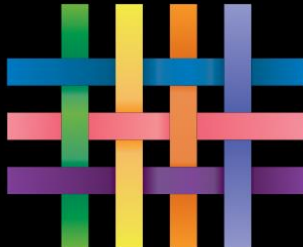
In Art we will be learning about Vincent Van Gogh famous for his unique post-impressionist technique, with swathing brushstrokes and striking colours.





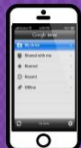


Our Book of the half term is one of our Star Six Books. Farmer Duck!



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**ACCESS ANYWHERE**



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ONLINE LEARNING  
JOURNAL

## **To view your child's learning journal**

1. Login
2. Go to the 'children' tab (you will see your child's name only).
3. Click on your child's photo
4. Select 'view *Joe's* journal.'
5. Select the observation you wish to view.
6. Add a comment if you wish e.g. *well done, or Joe also took turns in a board game at home this weekend.*

## **To add your own observation at home....**

### **To add notes....**

- Click on 'obs' tab at top of screen.
- Click on 'add observation.'
- Type in information; title, date notes.

### **To add a photo.....**

- Click on 'add media' to upload a photo.
- Click on 'add file'
- Click on 'start upload'

**Finally...Click save!**

Your child's key person will then be notified of your observation and use it to support your child's learning and progress.